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INTRODUCTION

Horticulture is alive and well!

Membership in CSHS, at least in the past has mainly been from university, government and industry, possibly mostly from the former two. The horticulture component from these sources has been reduced with government budget re-alignments. Static or declining membership (see President's Corner) has been and continues to be a dominant feature of horticulture and agriculture in general. We are not alone. Colleagues in the USA, in a number of states, are also in the midst of a three year reduction in personnel, including center closures etc.

And yet I have the audacity to state that horticulture is alive and well.

In a brief scan of the internet I came upon an excerpt from the Ontario Horticultural Association (see below). They have 44,000 members. Obviously, horticulture interests a lot of our population. Ontario is not alone. Every province and region has enthusiasts in a host of varying societies, focussing generally, or on specific species. People are excited, interested and find that horticulture gives a meaningful purpose to their lives.

Pretty well all of our senses are affected by horticulture. A gleaming apple or a glistening bloom gives a tempting visual allure. Our taste buds are stimulated by a cacophony of varied and delightful flavours. We are also becoming increasingly aware of the health benefits of horticultural products. Moreover, horticulture provides much of the sustenance of our being. Our nose is attracted to a huge number of aromas. Our ears relate to the wind stimulated pine needles through which the winter storm blows in the depths of winter. The satiny silkiness of a bearded iris warms the touch. And finally the beauty of a forking road with the plethora of plants growing on the roadsides, as envisioned by Robert Frost, conjures philosophical and interesting metaphors. Horticulture is an integral part of our being.

So then, how does all of this relate to our society, CSHS? Where do we develop from here? How does the society evolve? Do we align with other societies? How do we relate to the probably hundreds of thousands of eager amateur horticulturists? Are we missing some important associations with them? How do we expand the horticultural frontiers in this land of ours, much of which has severe winters? Do we expend effort into crops or species that may not bring us huge financial return but contribute to ourselves, our well being as persons?

There are numerous possibilities. We can stay the way we are. We can strive to understand the ramifications of various opportunities. We need to discuss these issues, even in more depth than at our annual meeting when a larger number of other issues result in time constraints. Let us engage in dialogue.

IHC 2002 - Our members are busy focussing on the multitude of items that require attention and detail to this international gathering. All indications are that it will be a very successful venture.

Wishing you a great spring planting season.

Albert Liptay
CSHS Secretary Treasurer

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Happy New Year to all of our members. A number of the committees for IHC 2002 have been very active these past few months as we approach the August date for the Congress. This is shaping up to be an excellent event for the international horticultural science community. The Program Committee reviewed approximately 3000 abstracts for distribution to the various symposia and workshops. The number of abstracts is an indication that the Congress will be very well attended. Many abstracts were submitted from outside North America. The symposia are being finalized now with expert speakers with international status in the research community. The posters will be assigned to symposia and workshops and represent very specific research within the discipline. All of the speakers are included by invitation so the quality of the presentations will be excellent. This will be a very busy event with sessions running into the evening hours.

Details of the Congress can be found on the website and in various mailings to you. Accommodation close to the Convention Center will be expensive but several low cost alternatives are available. Registration deadlines are rapidly approaching. The program includes some social events that will showcase Canada.

On a different note, horticulture (and agriculture) continue to suffer under Provincial Government cutbacks. Both Ontario and B.C. have been and are currently dealing with some very large budget cuts. This is a very common theme across all of the Provinces.

Regards,
Al Sullivan
President

ONTARIO HORTICULTURAL ASSOCIATION

Taken from - Ontario Horticultural Association's Annual Report

Within the approximately 275 Horticultural Societies that exist throughout the Province of Ontario, there are over 44,000 members! Interconnection, exchange of knowledge and information, guidance and cohesion is facilitated by their umbrella organization: the Ontario Horticultural Association, or OHA. Annually a report is produced to provide an overview of the year for the information of all members as well as for anyone interested in the organization and its work. The uses of the Report are as multifaceted as the more than 200 Societies profiled therein.

(Items from AIC, see below)

NOMINATIONS for CANADIAN SCIENCE and ENGINEERING HALL of FAME

Museum Seeks Nominations for Canadian Science and Engineering Hall of Fame

The Canada Science and Technology Museum invites nominations for this year's inductees to the Canadian Science and Engineering Hall of Fame. Inductees will be chosen by a selection committee representing a diversity of science and engineering institutions, and will be honoured at a special induction ceremony this November in Ottawa.

The Canadian Science and Engineering Hall of Fame seeks to promote Canadian achievements and careers in science and engineering. Nominations can be submitted by individuals or on behalf of an organization, and individuals nominated in previous years can be nominated again. The deadline for this year's nominations is April 1, 2002. For more information go to www.nmstc.ca

IICA INTERNSHIPS

The Office of the Inter-American Institute of Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA) in Canada has issued the conditions of internships and Exchange programs included in "ICCA and Canada a new vision for 2002-2007".

The program is effective immediately, and is dedicated to Canadian and LAC professors, agricultural scientists, researchers and managers, post graduate students farm managers and specialists in information and communication technologies from the public and private sectors interested in developing a cooperative and/or work relationship and building long term linkages between Canadian and LAC interested parties. For more information visit www.iicacan.org.

PHARMACEUTICAL TRIALS - CFIA DRAFT REGULATION

The Canadian Food Inspection Agency has published a draft regulation to allow confined research trials for plants producing pharmaceuticals. The public comment period ends on February 25, 2002. The Draft Amendment to Regulatory Directive 2000-07 Addressing Confined Research Trials of Plants with Novel Traits for Pharmaceutical Production is at www.inspection.gc.ca/english/plaveg/pbo/mf/mfa0007e.shtml.



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Regular/Retired Member/ Cotisation de la SIHS pour les membres réguliers/retraités \$55.00
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*Les membres étudiants doivent obtenir la signature de leur professeur principal.

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PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS (circle all that apply)

Vegetables	Plant Protection	Research	Service industries
Fruits	Post-Harvest	Extension	Input industries (seeds,
Floriculture	Landscaping	Education	Fertilizer, machinery, etc.)
Nursery Crops	Economics	Journalism	Other (specify)
Turf	Breeding and Genetics	Sales and Marketing	

INTÉRÊTS PROFESSIONNELS (circle tout ce qui s'applique)

Légumes	Enseignement	Post-récolte	Industries des intrants
Recherche	Pépinière	Industries des services	(semences, engrais,
Fruits	Journalisme	Paysagisme	Equipment, etc.)
Vulgarisation	Phytoprotection	Économie	Autre (spécifier) :
Floriculture	Vente/Mise en marché	Amélioration et génétique	